

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 3, 4, and 19-23 are pending. Claims 2 and 5-18 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 1 and 3 have been amended. New claims 19-23 have been added. The specification has been amended to correct minor informalities. No new matter has been introduced.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



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